

# Verge Policy fact sheet

## Verge paving guidelines

The underlying principle of the city's approach to managing verges is to encourage residents to:

- install and maintain soft landscaping which contributes to the aesthetic presentation of the streetscape
- apply sound environmental consideration to verge development through utilising low water demand plantings of species indigenous to the local area
- minimise the use of impervious surfaces to encourage infiltration of ground water where it falls.
- meet the communities requirements for safety and protect the city's obligations for duty of care.

Proposals for verge paving will be considered by the City of Subiaco:

- where there is a legitimate requirement for verge parking and there is no reasonable alternative, property owners can apply to pave a portion of the verge directly adjacent to their property
- the objective is to provide a balance between legitimate off street parking requirements, streetscape enhancement by landscaping and the onsite infiltration of storm water
- assessment will include a review of the property's ability to accommodate the onsite parking of **two** passenger vehicles
- where the installation of paving to the verge is likely to compromise the longevity of an existing street tree the application will not be supported
- where paving is proposed to provide a footpath between the property boundary and the kerb line, the path is to be 1.5 metres wide

In order for verge paving proposals to be assessed the property owner is required to submit in writing an outline of their proposed paving plan with a diagram that illustrates the proposed location, alignment, and the materials to be used. Applications to be sent to [city@subiaco.wa.gov.au](mailto:city@subiaco.wa.gov.au) - attention: Parks.

Only compliant applications will be approved.



*Image: displaying a suitable example of verge paving.*

For further information please refer to the city's Verge Policy management guidelines available at [www.subiaco.wa.gov.au](http://www.subiaco.wa.gov.au)

